

## Plenary Meeting Tomorrow at 1p.m. Eastern

Mandatory for Participating Member organizations, the first Plenary meeting of the year is tomorrow, Jan. 20 at 1p.m. Eastern. The two-hour virtual meeting will provide updates on key SGIP and NIST activities. Planned agenda items include:

- Report from NIST
- Governing Board Chair, John McDonald
- Reports from the Standing Committees (CSWG, SGTCC, SGAC)
- New Stakeholder Collaboration Tools
- International Collaboration



To register and attend the meeting: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/444978162>.

## Busy Year Begins for SGIP Governing Board



*John McDonald,  
Governing Board  
Chair*

In its first meeting of 2012, the Governing Board last week welcomed new Board members, elected the 2012 Plenary Chair, and heard reports on a number of key issues that will receive board attention and action this year.

One of the most important issues on the Board's agenda this year will be to build a long-term private/public partnership model to sustain the SGIP's on-going work without government funding... The Board expects to discuss this subject in greater detail at a meeting to be scheduled for February 2011.

As one of its first official actions, the Governing Board re-elected Steve Widergren as SGIP Plenary Chair, a two-year term ending in January 2014. [\*\*>> READ THE COMPLETE ARTICLE\*\*](#)

## DEADLINE IS JAN. 23: Plenary Officer and Committee Nominations

Next Monday is the final day for submitting candidates for Plenary Vice Chair, Plenary Secretary and Standing Committees. These positions are crucial to the success of SGIP activities and an important way to contribute to the Panel. Those drawn to service with SGIP are invited and encouraged to do so. As members become more active and familiar with the processes of the SGIP and how it functions, participation as a SGIP leader is often the best way to affect meaningful change.

Now more than ever, the SGIP needs strong, visionary leaders to help steer this organization and its key projects. To nominate someone or yourself, please click the position of interest below:

- [Plenary Vice Chair](#)
- [Plenary Secretary](#)
- [Smart Grid Architecture Committee Members](#)
- [Smart Grid Testing & Certification Committee Members](#)
- [Implementation Methods Committee Members](#)

Currently, the Administrator has not received many candidates for the Plenary Officer positions. The Plenary Secretary and Vice Chair work closely with the SGIP Administrator team in providing services to the SGIP membership and have strong support from the Administrator team to accomplish their tasks.

**Being a part of the SGIP officer team provides the opportunity for significant influence in the operation and management of the SGIP. Entering its third year, there are still many organizational and direction setting issues yet to tackle. Our community requires Plenary Officers with the drive to work as team players to establish an effective organization in the best interests of all stakeholders and the Nation. Please consider if you or others you know can answer this call for service.**

*— Steve Widergren, Plenary Chair*

To nominate yourself or someone else, please send an email to the SGIP Administrator with the following:

- \* Name of Nominee
- \* Email of Nominee
- \* Why they would make an ideal Secretary/Vice Chair for the SGIP
- \* Brief Bio (300 word max.)

Nominations will be passed along to the Nominations Committees for review and development of the slates.

**Nominations will be accepted until Jan. 23, 2012.** Voting will occur in mid-February.



## CyberSecurity Privacy Training Resources

The CSWG's Privacy Subgroup has developed "Smart Grid: Privacy Awareness and Training" slide decks for both utilities and public utility commissions. These sets are provided to serve as a starting point to help with internal information security and privacy education programs as they relate to Smart Grid privacy. A way to help "train the trainer," the CSWG added significant information within the speaker notes that organizations may wish to use when delivering their own tailored training.

The slides are available under "Literature/Tools" in the TWiki Sidebar or on the TWiki page: <http://collaborate.nist.gov/twiki-sggrid/bin/view/SmartGrid/CSCTGPrivacy>.

## ***Heading to DistribuTECH? Stop by SGIP Booth #4741***

Next week, the SGIP will make its inaugural appearance at this key conference for utilities and its vendors. Over 8,000 attendees are expected to be in San Antonio for this year's DistribuTECH. Come visit us at Booth #4741!

As a DistribuTECH delegate, you can also attend the conference sessions for *Utility Products Conference & Exposition*. To learn more, click the DistribuTECH banner below.



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